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## **Governor Gregoire Appoints New Member to the Fire Protection Policy Board**

Governor Christine Gregoire appointed Mr. Richard Chaney to represent career firefighters on the Fire Protection Policy Board on October 25, 2006. Mr. Chaney is a Captain with the South King Fire & Rescue where he has worked since 1980.

The board consists of nine members, appointed by the Governor, to represent the fire chiefs, fire commissioners, insurance industry, Department of Natural Resources, volunteer firefighter, career firefighters, fire marshals, cities, and counties. The Fire Protection Policy Board was created in 1986 by the legislature. The board is responsible for establishing a comprehensive state policy regarding fire protection services, and advising the Chief of the Washington State Patrol and the State Fire Marshal on matters relating to their duties under state law.

For additional information about the Fire Protection Policy Board and its members, please visit our website at [www.wa.gov/wsp/fire/firemars.htm#policy](http://www.wa.gov/wsp/fire/firemars.htm#policy).